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# H. R. 299

To authorize appropriations for the payment of United States arrearages in assessed contributions to the United Nations for prior years and to authorize appropriations for the payment of assessed contributions of the United States for United Nations peacekeeping operations.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SHAYS (for himself, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. FARR of California, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. OLVER, and Mr. RANGEL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR**  
2 **ARREARAGES IN ASSESSED CONTRIBUTIONS**  
3 **TO THE UNITED NATIONS FOR PRIOR YEARS.**

4 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, there are  
5 authorized to be appropriated \$10,800,000 for fiscal year  
6 1998, \$10,800,000 for fiscal year 1999, \$10,800,000 for  
7 fiscal year 2000, \$10,800,000 for fiscal year 2001, and  
8 \$10,800,000 for fiscal year 2002, for “Assessed Contribu-  
9 tions for International Organizations” only for the pay-  
10 ment of arrearages in assessed contributions of the United  
11 States to the United Nations for prior years.

12 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR CON-**  
13 **TRIBUTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE-**  
14 **KEEPING ACTIVITIES.**

15 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Notwith-  
16 standing any other provision of law, there are authorized  
17 to be appropriated for “Contributions for International  
18 Peacekeeping Activities”, \$105,200,000 for each of the  
19 fiscal years 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002.

20 (b) LIMITATION ON UNITED STATES CONTRIBU-  
21 TIONS.—Funds authorized to be appropriated by sub-  
22 section (a) shall not be available for the payment of the  
23 United States assessed contribution for a United Nations  
24 peacekeeping operation in an amount which is greater  
25 than 25 percent of the total of all assessed contributions  
26 for that operation.

1 **SEC. 3. AUTHORITY OF THE PRESIDENT TO WITHHOLD THE**  
2 **PAYMENT OF FUNDS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President may withhold the  
4 payment of any appropriated funds, authorized to be ap-  
5 propriated by this Act, if the President determines that  
6 the United Nations has failed to implement or to continue  
7 to implement consensus-based decisionmaking procedures  
8 on budgetary matters which assure that sufficient atten-  
9 tion is paid to the views of the United States and other  
10 member states that are the major financial contributors  
11 to the United Nations.

12 (b) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—The President shall no-  
13 tify the Congress when a decision is made to withhold the  
14 payment of funds pursuant to subsection (a) and shall no-  
15 tify the Congress when the decision is made to pay any  
16 funds previously withheld.

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